

## **Ferry Boat Discretionary Program FFY 2002 Call for Projects**

The Federal Highway Administration is currently requesting projects to be considered for FFY 2002 funding through the Ferry Boat Discretionary (FBD) Program. Approximately \$14 million is available nationally to fund open competition FBD projects. This call does not include the Washington State NHS Set-aside funds.

The FBD Program, as well as our administrative procedures, remains largely unchanged from last year's call for projects. However, there are some minor changes and important information to bear in mind.

- Candidate projects must use the provided application format. This year's application must be submitted electronically in MS Word format, in Times New Roman font, size 12. You may use as much space as is necessary for each application item. Do not include graphics or tables within the application. Any candidate project that does not use the supplied application, or includes graphics and tables within the application will be deemed ineligible.
- A project area map is not required, however a map showing the ferry route and terminal connections is helpful if available. This map may be submitted electronically, but only as a separate file. Do not include it as part of the application. The map may also be submitted in hard copy form. The printed map should be black and white, paper size 8.5" x 11".
- Support letters should be addressed to the Federal Highway Administrator, who is the official ultimately responsible for selecting projects for funding. These letters should be sent to Highways and Local Programs, as they must be submitted by hard copy to our FHWA Division Office, who will forward them to the Office of Program Administration.

Although the requested information for each candidate project has not changed significantly, FHWA is being more prescriptive this year in how the information is to be provided. Please pay close attention to the Submission Requirements, and disregard those of prior years. The required submission information should be included under the appropriate application item number in simple and concise language. Any application that does not include all of the required elements will not be considered for funding.

Candidate projects must be ready to begin construction in FFY 2002, if funded. Any unobligated balances remaining on September 15, 2002, will be withdrawn.

Project proposals are prioritized on a national basis with consideration given to individual State rankings. WSDOT will prioritize all proposals received by the deadline, and will forward the top 5 candidate applications to FHWA for funding consideration.

Applications can be submitted on a 3.5" floppy disk, or via e-mail to [kaiserd@wsdot.wa.gov](mailto:kaiserd@wsdot.wa.gov). Send floppy disks and any non-electronic information, such as project maps or letters of support, to: Dave Kaiser, WSDOT, Highways & Local Programs Service Center, PO Box 47390, Olympia, WA 98504-7390. **All electronic and non-electronic information must be received in the Service Center office by 4:00 PM on Tuesday, June 26, 2001. Applications and supporting documentation will not be accepted after this deadline.**